## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

## 1. Rejection of claims 1, 2, 6-10 and 12 under U.S.C 112:

The specification has been amended to overcome this rejection. Specifically, the recitations "Specifically, the sterilizing process 90 is performed when the water solution in the filter 108 turns neutral. Once the wafer solution in the filter 108 is neutral, sodium hypochlorite (NaOCL) is added into the filter 108." have been added to [0024] in the specification. These limitations find support in original claim 5 which claims "the sterilizing process is performed until a water solution in the filter has been adjusted to a neutral condition in the reverse rinsing process". Therefore, no new matter is introduced by this amendment. Claims 1 and 7 are now clearly supported by the specification, and withdrawal of rejection to claims 1, 2, 6-10 and 12 is therefore requested.

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Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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